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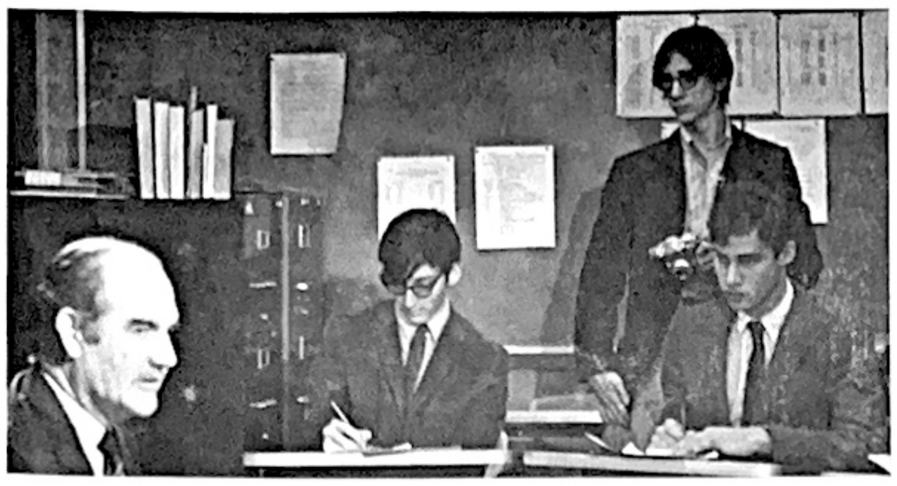


Peter Borowitz, John Broder, and Bill Ratnoff interview McGovern at his news conference.

McGovern Talks to Students, Criticizes Neglect of Hunger

Senator George S. McGovern of South Dakota told Shaker students, January 27, that "hunger is the most painful and urgent social problem in America today." McGovern, the chairman of a Senate committee studying the hunger problem, was the keynote speaker for a Seminar Day devoted entirely to the study of hunger in America.

Senator McGovern claimed that "we need a fundamental reordering of American priorities," because "we have tended to overlook some of the most dangerous problems in our own backyard." He cited the economic fact that "for the past seven years, the United States has spent $21,000 for each Viet Cong we have killed" and that "for $300 we could provide an adequate diet for a child or adult for one year."

"DOES IT REALLY make sense to say that we can spend $15 billion in 1970 on the ABM," Senator McGovern asked, "and then we say that we can't afford to spend an equal amount on combating poverty and malnutrition."

Answering *Shakerite* questions at a news conference before his Speech, Senator McGovern charged that a provision for no-knocking during narcotics raids "threatens the liberty of every person." He also claimed that G. Harold Carswell, President Nixon's nominee for the Supreme Court, is "another obscure unknown, a figure from nowhere" and is hardly in the tradition of Brandeis and Holmes. McGovern did state, however, that he would study Carswell's qualifications further before he decides whether to support or to oppose the nominee.

DISCUSSING FOREIGN affairs, McGovern declared that the President should have ended the Vietnam war in 1969 and that he sees no end to the inflationary spin without an end to the war.

Golenberg Wins French Contest

Edward Golenberg, a Shaker Heights High School senior, has received a $250 award for earning first place in a national essay competition sponsored by the Federation des Alliances Francaises dans les Etats Unis. The objective of this competition was to provide an incentive for young scholars interested in French civilization to research intensively a particular period of French history.

ED'S PAPER covered the years between the beginning of the French Revolution in 1789, and the crowning of Napoleon in 1803. The essay entitled "The Effectiveness of Democracy and Tyranny in Revolutionary France," was written in English.

Ed Golenberg gloats over his $250.00 prize.

Ex-Teacher Prefers Family to English

Mrs. Carol Posner, English teacher at Shaker for the past six years, has left Shaker to start a family. Robert Burnett and Mrs. Claire Wiseman, a new teacher this semester, will replace her.

ASIDE FROM STAYING home with her children, Mrs. Posner says she will "probably do some tutoring and subbing" and intends to become involved in fighting water pollution. Presently, she is "enjoying the vacation" but remarks that "when you don't have a regular schedule with a regular job, it is hard to get organized."

Mrs. Posner is a former editor of the *Shakerite*.

Committee Evaluates Finals, Study Day, Senior Exemption

A committee of five students and five teachers is evaluating the new Study Day that Shaker had the last Friday, January 16, before first-semester finals.

THE PURPOSES of the committee are to study generally the length and necessity of finals, to evaluate the study day itself, and to evaluate last year's second-semester finals exemption for seniors with a grade average of A or B. Most senior teachers are in favor of this plan.

A group of thirty interviewers is now interviewing 300 students individually from three homerooms selected from each grade. Generally, the attitude has been that the tension of finals was slightly relieved because of the extra day.

ED GOLENBERG, one member of the committee, stated, "The extra amount of time that a reading day makes available permits students to make their preparation for finals more worthwhile by promoting legitimate studying rather than useless cramming.

The Shakerite extends its condolences to the family of the late Miss Kathi Calvin, a former Shaker student, who died January 26 in Fairfax County, Virginia. Miss Calvin was a reporter for *The Shakerite* from 1958 to 1959, and she received the Shaker Square Association's Citizenship Award when she graduated in 1960.

Greenham Advises Curriculum Changes, Suggests Pass-Fail Option, 7-Period Days

Principal William H. Greenham has suggested to the faculty curricular and scheduling changes for the 1970-71 school year. The modifications would add flexibility to students' schedules.

Dr. Greenham proposed that the school adopt a new daily schedule next year. It would consist of seven fifty-minute periods, and a forty-minute lunch period. Every session would be available for elected or required classes. Dr. Greenham added, "It would be possible to rotate periods in a different order on different days, if that is desired."

DR. GREENHAM recommended that Shaker allow students to take up to one credit per year in pass-fail courses. Shakerites would receive grades in other courses totalling twelve credits and in physical education. Graded classes would include required courses and beginning or intermediate courses in subjects that are arranged in a consecutive order, such as a language. Grade point averages would not include pass-fail classes, although the students' transcripts would include them. Thus, Dr. Greenham stated further, Shakerites could elect enrichment courses without the stress on grades, but without lowering standards required at Shaker.

Dr. Greenham also requested that Shaker reorganize homeroom groups into smaller "advisory groups" each with a professional staff member as adviser. Groups would meet daily for attendance and announcements, yet longer sessions could be arranged to "provide a greater sense of intimacy in our school and to bring students and teachers into a better climate for discussion of non-instructional matters."

Author Kotz Blasts Welfare, Favors Revised Food Program

Author Nick Kotz addressed Shaker students on "Hunger in America," January 27. His book, *Let Them Eat Promises*, is the first to explore the politics of the hunger issue and was the basis for his Seminar-Day speech.

DURING THE hour-long speech and question period, Kotz exploded the "commonly accepted myths" that "the poor don't work," "hunger isn't a problem in America," "the poor don't know what to eat," and "we have food programs that take care of the hungry."

He emphasized that although America is the richest country in the world, 17 million Americans are starving. He ventured that the "milk program is not a program for children; it is for the milk producers." He hopes that the government will make outright grants to fill the gap between the cost of food stamps and the income of stamp purchasers.

KOTZ ADDED that "our ethics have become perverted when we find it better to starve a man to make him work than to give him food. We should take it upon ourselves to feed the children of America—if not, there's really not much hope for this country." Kotz also reminded the audience that "poor people are the only people in America who are not subsidized." However, Kotz believes that the Nixon administration has done more in this area than previous ones.

Sue Braham speaks to Nick Kotz after his speech.

In an exclusive *Shakerite* interview, he blamed the school boards for the discrepancy between the cost of the food served and the funds available. He suggested that students question the board's lunch program policy.

Junior Guidance Turns Optional

Shaker's counseling staff has made major changes in the structure of junior group guidance classes for this semester. The formerly mandatory sessions are now optional and will be held during the second half of each lunch period every day.

DESIGNED PRIMARILY for the student who plans to continue his education after high school, each class will discuss various questions and problems that confront the college-bound junior. These subjects include registering for the various college entrance examinations, choosing a college, preparing applications, and securing financial aid. Each junior has received a general schedule of the topics to be discussed throughout the semester.

"The new format gives the student added responsibility since attendance is not required. The information discussed is very important, probably more so than the juniors realize at this time. The counselors just cannot deal with each student individually about these matters," said Miss Gladys Burgess.

THE COUNSELORS urge attendance at the discussions, especially for the student who is confused about the details of higher education and opportunities after high school.

Panel Examines Race Relations

Under the title of "How Have the Blacks Changed the Schools," the All Schools PTA meeting at Woodbury Junior High School, February 5, drew an over-capacity crowd of Shaker parents.

Headed by Superintendent John Lawson, the panel of school administrators, Bill Ginn, and Mrs. Erlynne S. Davis, a Byron mother, answered, quelled, and defended the questions, fears and accusations of the audience.

THE PANEL COMMENTED on questions like "Is there interracial breeding, either legal or extra-legal, and does the superintendent encourage it?" and "Are my children safe from robbery attacks in integrated schools?" Some members of the audience accused the panel of whitewashing their answers.

Then Mrs. Erlynne S. Davis received much applause when she told the audience what she thought of the meeting: "It is some way to reassure the white people of the community that the invading army of blacks are not going to hurt them."

Applicants Contend For Treasury Jobs

Students can now apply to be treasurers of the student fund. Applicants must be juniors with no grade below "C", and they must study the mechanics of the office with the present treasurers. The applicants will take an examination similar to that of the Civil Service. Jerry Graham, student-council adviser, will interview the finalists.

THE TREASURERS SELL tickets at school functions. They are members of the Executive Board of Student Council. The five new positions will be the business manager, two co-treasurers, and two treasurers for athletics. Any interested student can sign up with Mr. Graham or Mrs. Anne Brock in the Student Activity Office before Monday, February 16.

Area Residents Should Fight Clark Freeway's Construction

In the past two decades, the population flow of Cleveland has been directed out of the city and into the suburbs. Yet the Clark Freeway was to have gone through valuable property in the suburbs to reach the industrial center; it would have replaced homes and parks to get people to the business of Cleveland.

Clearly the Seven Counties Planning Commission was putting the interest of business before the interest of people. It is true that people should not hinder progressive development, but when the development becomes retrogressive, people must stop it. *The Shakerite*, therefore, commends Governor Rhodes' political decision to abandon plans to build the Clark Freeway during his administration, although he will soon be out of office.

The major victims of the freeway efforts would have been the Shaker Lakes and the homes within the corridor which runs parallel to Shaker Boulevard. Yet these homes are not out of danger; Rhodes' successor may reconsider the proposed freeway.

The Shaker Lakes serve as an educational center for four school systems in Greater Cleveland. They are an invaluable aid for nature studies as they provide a protected area for both animals and birds. The Shaker Lakes are an important recreational area for the east side of Cleveland. The destruction of this area would therefore only add to the dreariness of Cleveland by removing a forested area which is as important as any of the Metropolitan Parks.

Finally, the removal of these homes would make Cleveland a less desirable city. Shaker Heights has become nationally known as a fine residential community. Its educational system is reputed to be one of the finest in the country. In this attempt to make itself more accessible, Cleveland would be therefore reducing both its local and national appeal.

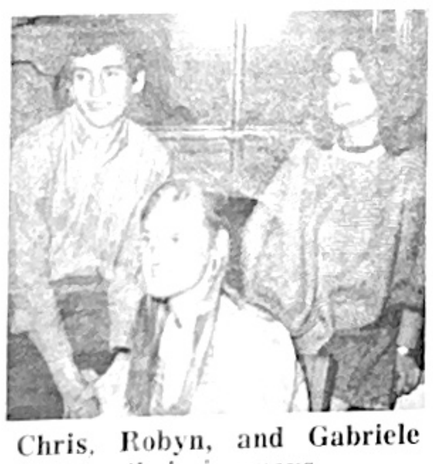
The Shakerite hopes that future administrations will take Governor Rhodes' stand and continue to block the construction of the Clark Freeway.

Swiss, Australian Schools Differ Greatly From Shaker

by Janice Levine

Along with our two German AFS students, Shaker now has two more foreign exchange students. In a recent interview, Gabriele Halder, Robyn Weisman and Chris Rageth discussed and compared their experiences relating to their exchange programs.

BOTH GABRIELE and Robyn are participants in the American Foreign Exchange program. Robyn, a resident of Shaker, spent her junior year in Australia, while Gabriele is presently spending her senior year here away from her home in Germany. Chris joined us this semester as a private exchange student from Switzerland.



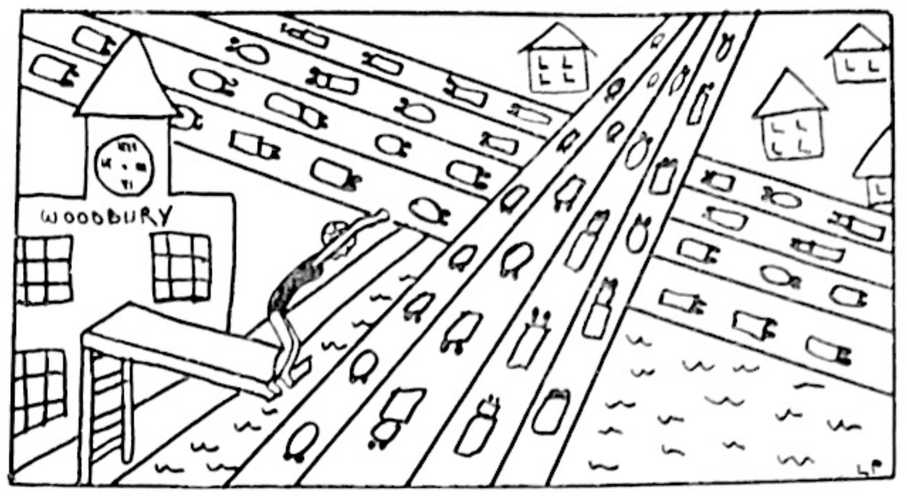
Chris, Robyn, and Gabriele discuss their journeys.

Gabriele would like to see Shaker put more emphasis on science, as her home school does, and would like to take back the system in which students may elect the subjects they take.

ROBYN would like to bring from Australia the custom of a morning tea and take back the periodic testing before a final exam. In Australia a final examination is the only indication of a student's accomplishment for the semester.

Chris said that he would like a compromise between our schedule and his at home, which consists of eleven courses and different daily schedules. He would like Shaker to adopt Switzerland's two-hour lunch periods and two free afternoons per week.

Cathy Wheeler, an editor of *The Shakerite*, moved to Evanston, Illinois, at the end of last semester. She will graduate this June from Evanston High School, and she will attend Bennington College in Vermont next September. We all miss her and wish her good luck.



Editorial

Shakerite Urges Immediate Plans to Combat Pollution

Air and water pollution, the long-ignored side effects of American prosperity, have become a severe threat to human survival. *The Shakerite* urges immediate measures to end the menace of pollution.

THE BARRAGE OF facts and estimates concerning the effects of unchecked pollution is overwhelming. Scientists predict that pollution will kill thousands of urban Americans within ten years, and that the oceans will cease to be productive in fifty. That humanity could survive in such an environment is certainly unlikely.

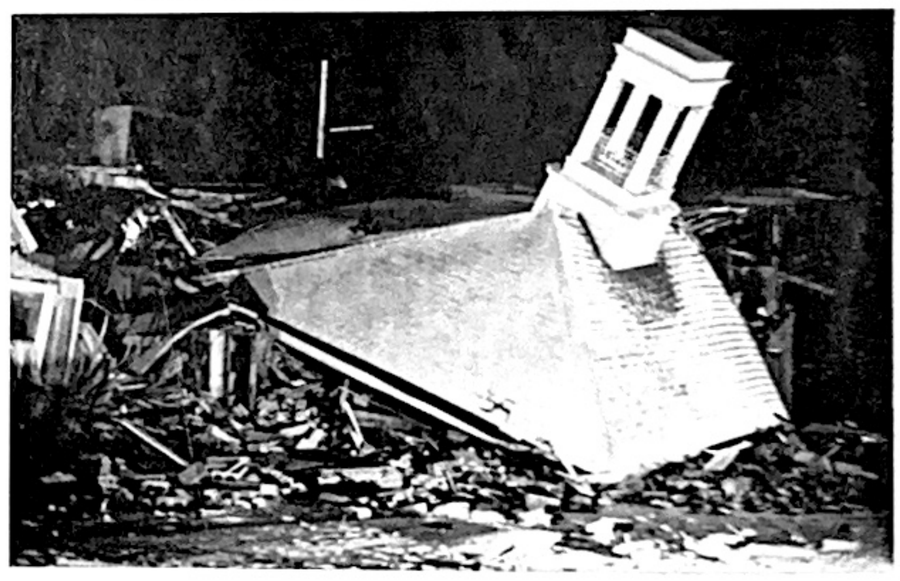
In the past the federal government has generally left the problems of regulating pollution to the discretion of state, county, and city governments. These authorities, afraid of driving away important industry, have been remiss in legislating and enforcing stringent requirements. The national government must therefore take the lead in pollution control.

HOWEVER, INDUSTRY is by no means the only, or even the major, offender. The internal combustion automobile engine is estimated to cause from 60% to 90% of air pollution, and must be radically altered or outlawed within several years. The government should take money slated for costly highway programs, which aggravate the problem of pollution, and invest the funds instead in development of new forms of transportation.

CERTAINLY THE cost of such a program will be high, and it will be borne primarily by the American taxpayer and consumer; however, America has heedlessly enjoyed the fruits of her unparalleled prosperity for too long, and it is now her responsibility to insure that she does not endanger the future of the human race. In the oft-quoted words of the comic-strip character Pogo, "We have met the enemy and they is us."

President Nixon's commitment to the fight against pollution is commendable, and *The Shakerite* hopes he will follow up his words with a prompt and decisive program to curb this threat. Regardless of the expense, the American people cannot afford to settle for anything less.

Shaker Heights Police Station
Shakerite photo by Steve Hirsh



Editorial

Overdue Curriculum Proposals Welcome

Dr. William H. Greenham's curriculum proposals form a firm foundation for the correction of Shaker's problems and also pave the way to future curricular advances. The elimination of level-one courses and study halls along with the pass-fail option are direct attacks on the problems of racial division and inadequate education, lack of student freedom, and grade pressures. The scheduling and advisory group proposals open possibilities for modular scheduling and better student-faculty relations.

IN DR. GREENHAM'S words, "Level-one classes as a separate entity are not succeeding." Inauguration of supplementary background classes or summer remedial courses are preferable alternatives to level-one. Freedom in the use of study hall time will allow greater use of the educational facilities of the school and allow those who are not interested in studying to enjoy the free time. The pass-fail option gives the student the opportunity of studies without grade pressures.

The proposed schedule change and the introduction of computer scheduling will prepare for flexible modular scheduling. Unfortunately, computer scheduling will eliminate personalized scheduling. Replacing the present homeroom groups with the smaller advisory groups which would have a professional staff member as group adviser would provide for greater intimacy between students and staff.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

The Student Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam (SMC) has called a National Student Antiwar Conference at Case Western Reserve University February 13-15. I encourage Shaker students to participate in it.

The October and November Moratoriums and demonstrations marked an unprecedented growth in the antiwar movement . . . . The obligation facing the student movement today is to continue the expansion of the movement . . . .

As students, we realize that the overwhelming majority of students are opposed to the war in Vietnam. The National Student Antiwar Conference will provide the entire student movement with the opportunity to evaluate the fall offensive and to plan nation-wide spring actions in opposition to the war.

Molly Kirsch, SMC

Dear Editor:

I have always thought that Shaker students were less apathetic towards social problems than students from other Cleveland schools. But I was extremely disillusioned to find out how few really cared on January 27, the Hunger Seminar Day.

A LARGE GROUP of hypocrites run around this school preaching peace and brotherhood; but when they are given an opportunity to discuss the importance of changing the conditions of the poor and the hungry, they take the day off.

The program itself was excellent and the co-ordinators are to be commended. But how can seminars be successful without the full co-operation and participation of the entire student body!

SHAKER IS UNIQUE in having seminars such as these and the students can benefit from them. Are we to conform to the dull regularity of other schools or are we going to take advantage of these various, exciting learning experiences? I think the choice is up to the school.

Lora Badler '70

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Freeway Opponents Deny Need For Proposed Interstate-290

by Dan Goodman

"But you don't really deny the need for this freeway, do you?" This, claimed William P. Irwin, Chairman of the Cleveland Heights Transportation Committee, is a question he often encounters in fighting proposed Interstate-290.

IRWIN, ONE OF 12 speakers at an anti-freeway hearing January 28 at Byron Junior High School, responded decisively: "The fact is . . . we do deny the need . . . unequivocally."

Members of CSTEP, Citizens for Sane Transportation and Environmental Policy, organized the meeting.

ACCORDING TO IRWIN, communities east of Greater Cleveland have proposed development plans for 1990. The so-called Clark Freeway is needed only to fulfill this "projected fiction."

SPEAKERS FROM Cleveland, Cleveland Heights, and Shaker Heights pledged their cities' support to the anti-freeway movement. Others suggested petitioning and writing letters to Governor Rhodes and state congressmen as effective means of helping CSTEP.

After the meeting, Worth Loomis, Chairman of CSTEP, recommended that Shaker Heights High School initiate a letter-writing project. He asserted, "If we can get all the high school students of America involved in this project, I'm sure we'll win."

ACC Combats Air Pollution

by Katie MacIntyre

In recent months, the fight against air pollution has gained tremendous momentum, according to Mrs. Ann Felber, executive secretary of the Air Conservation Committee. The ACC started as a small group of citizens campaigning last October for the passage of the Cleveland air pollution code. It expanded into the present organization with a membership of 200 and sponsored by the Tuberculosis and Respiratory Diseases Association.

THE ACC is trying to assist in the operation of the Federal Air Quality Act of 1967 which requires regional hearings to establish air quality standards. The ACC organized the Cleveland hearings January 20 and 21, 1970. Mrs. Felber stated that never before has understanding a federal bill demanded such extensive technical knowledge.

Currently, the ACC is planning activities for the nation-wide

Mrs. Ann Felber

Crisis in Environment Week, April 19 to April 26, 1970. Mrs. Felber stressed the need for a well-informed community.

Mrs. Felber does not agree with people who demand stricter air standards. She argued that cities have not met the present standards. She pointed out the need for pollution control in Shaker Heights. Apartment incinerators are major polluters, she said.

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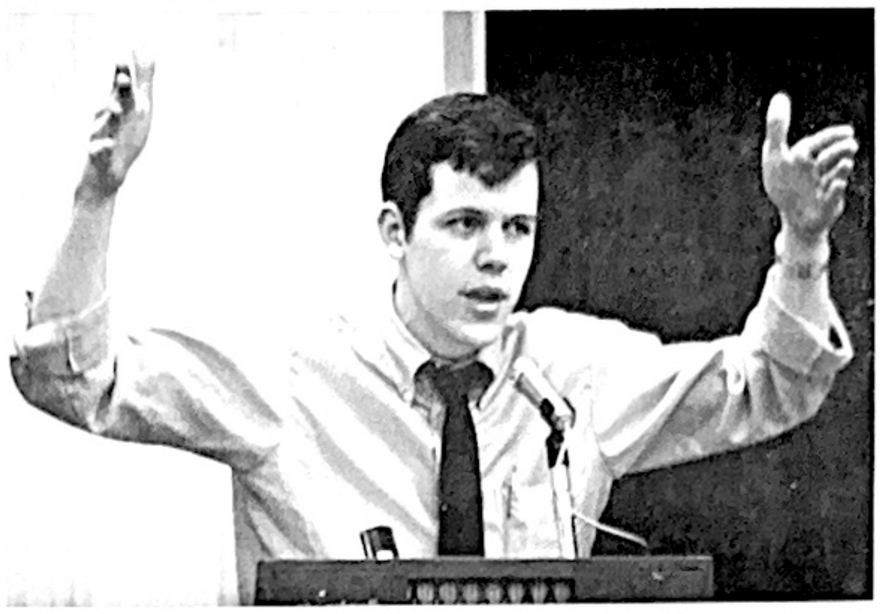

Sid Stapleton emphasizes an important point against capitalism during his speech at the Poverty Seminar.

Stapleton Recommends Solution To Urban Transportation Crisis

by Jim Holdstein

Sidney Stapleton, the former Socialist candidate for the mayoralty of Cleveland, spoke January 27 at the Hunger Seminar about his solutions to the problem of hunger in America. He related the problem to the capitalistic system and discussed the advantages of the socialist state.

CITING THE improvement of Cuba, he said that, before the Cuban revolution, people thought overpopulation caused the problems of hunger in the Caribbean island. However, the real solution was raising the level of technology, which Castro proceeded to do. But the reason for hunger in America is the vast power wielded by the corporations, who refuse to pay decent wages.

The Socialist candidate attacked the idea of a "Free World," which he defined as that part of the world open to American exploitation and investment in their economy. The economic distinction is not based on the welfare of the people in that country, he says, for Cuban citizens are more free than those of any other Latin American country.

ANSWERING QUESTIONS after the presentation, Stapleton declared that pollution can be stopped by throwing polluters in jail until they ceased such destructive activities. "The fine for showing a dirty movie is fifty times worse than for polluting." He also proposed free public transportation as a solution to this growing urban problem. Since people travel downtown to industries, these corporations, rather than the people, should be taxed. Free transportation services provided by the government would eliminate the necessity of automobiles.

Semanteme Pictures Make Up For Carelessly Crafted Poetry

by Bill Ratnoff

At $1 per copy, the Fall, 1969, issue of *Semanteme* is a good buy. The editors decided to lay off the origami and restrict themselves to a conventional book format, but strikingly excellent photography makes up for the loss of the challenge of unfolding the issue with which *Semanteme* confronted us last winter. Editor Gary Gross and his staff have done a creditable job.

THE WORK of the fifteen contributors ranges from sincere and clever to pretentious and trite. Martha Van Tyne uses imagery to advantage in "I open a door"; she could have improved one line, however, by changing "battered by the winds of time" to "wind-battered." Larry Sugarman's "Soft Steal" is simple and genuine.

I don't know why so many of the poets refuse to use capital letters—they're ever so much fun—or why "flower" insists on the cute spelling "enuff" to drive home her point. Some of the poems suffer from awkward diction, vague imagery, or profundity. Too many resemble prose more than poetry.

NORMAN KAPLAN dominates the anthology like a ram in a flock. "Snowflake Ethic," which appears directed at interpreting the Beatles' "Here Comes the Sun," is clever, but we have learned to be wary of Norman's interpretations. I am disappointed that Norman feels compelled to revert to language like "we gather our relationship into togetherness," and there is something definitely impossible about the lines:

I am happily wrapped up
in the warm secrets of her
eyes,
deep as her reality.

Norman has the good sense to admit "that none of this is new." Noman redeems himself elsewhere; read him.

Peter Barch's "Empty House" and John Saks' "Cherries" deserve attention. Rob Hershman's poetic voice is less hoarse than before in his "Pre-Pneumonia Odyssey."

BUT LET ME suggest that to write poetry is not to slash up a prose sentence into two- and three-word lines. Dylan Thomas writes that his poetry is a "craft or sullen art." To paraphrase *Hamlet:* "More craft, with less art."

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Hayakawa Raps TV Scheduling

by Peter Borowitz

Addressing a capacity crowd at Park Synagogue, February 1, Dr. S. I. Hayakawa, president of San Francisco State College, criticized the "subtle social pressure" which annually forces many students to enter college.

AT A PRESS conference, Dr. Hayakawa agreed with Vice-President Agnew's attacks upon television coverage of the news. During his speech, however, Dr. Hayakawa delivered a tirade not against television news but rather against commercial television programming and its psychological effects upon the viewer. He claimed that, through the plotting of Madison Avenue, television presents the misconception that there is an instant solution to every problem.

Dr. Hayakawa asserted that the children of this generation spent so much time watching television that they never learned the art of "inter-personal relations". For this reason, the college students espouse "copulation without communication."

DR. HAYAKAWA added that because students cannot communicate and because they desire an instant solution for every problem, students have disrupted education at prestige colleges in reaction to their own misconceptions. As a college president, Dr. Hayakawa declared that he will not tolerate any such assaults upon academic freedom.

In response to a *Shakerite* question, Dr. Hayakawa commented that he prefers a trained police force to the National Guard as an agency for quelling campus riots. He supported his statement with the fact that once during the San Francisco State disorders, the police arrested 450 students without any violence.

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Grapplers Pin Shaw, Brush; Succumb to Euclid, Garfield

With three dual meets remaining, the Shaker wrestling team has compiled an overall record of 5-4-1. Their Lake Erie League slate stands at 2-3-1. In the last four matches the Raiders have defeated Shaw and Brush, while losing to Euclid and Garfield.

AGAINST SHAW the winning points in the 23-20 victory were provided by heavyweight Tim Karpoff, when he pinned his opponent. In the 25-15 loss to Euclid, David Kirschenbaum (107), Blair Taliaferro (175), Lester Brooks (185), and Tim Karpoff, all defeated previously unbeaten wrestlers.

After succumbing to Brush, Shaker lost a close match to Garfield, 20-19. Kirschenbaum, Taliaferro, Brooks, and Karpoff decisioned their opponents while Steve Wolkin (123) pinned his man, and sophomore Dave Golub (130) tied.

AFTER ELEVEN dual meets Shaker still has one undefeated wrestlers in Tim Karpoff (10-0-1), who has registered seven pins. David Kirschenbaum has lost only once while compiling a 7-1-2 record.

Sprinter Jim Kuhn flashes championship starting form.

Swimmers Prep For LEL Meet

Impressive victories over Shaw and Brush have marked the 1969-70 swimming season. Recovering from a lacklustre 1-13 1968-69 season record, Dan Cahill's mermen presently sport a 3-5 LEL slate.

THE RAIDERS scored their second victory as they splashed past Shaw, 55-40, January 9. The 400-yard medley relay team consisting of Dave Newman, Dave Littman, Peter Havens, and Bill Osher, Jim Kuhn in 50-yard freestyle, and Jim Wolen in the 200 set the pace. Dave Stilson's win in the backstroke and Littman's breastroke win assured victory.

Brush became Shaker's next victim in a 49-46 cliffhanger. Wolen garnered twin victories in the 200- and 400-yard freestyles. Stilson triumphed in the backstroke and both the 160- and 400-yard relay teams outdid their foes.

THE FOLLOWING weekend, the mermen succumbed to a powerful team from Berea, 60-35.

Captain Wolen was optimistic about the rest of the season. "We'll do well in the LEL meet, February 21 at Shaw. We've had some close meets and our team is better than our record shows."

Hugh Lewis unleashes jumper as Scott Keller screens defender.

Red Raider Trackmen Begin League Championship Trek

Coached by Bob Rice, the Shaker High track team has already begun practice for a series of indoor dual track meets and the Greater Cleveland Indoor Meet, all of which are geared to prepare the cindermen for the lengthy and arduous outdoor season.

CO-CAPTAINED by Jim and Jeff Kramer, the squad with returning two-year lettermen Tom Mosley, Brian Clarke, John Hopwood, and Jim Kramer and twelve returning one-year letter winners appears to be in good position to repeat as champions of both the Lake Erie League Division of the Greater Cleveland Indoor Meet and the outdoor LEL season.

Queried about the Raiders' chances of retaining the LEL title, Coach Rice replied: "Every team, especially Heights and Euclid, will pose a threat in our attempt to repeat as league champions."

Raiders Shooting to End Schedule With .500 Mark

With only three games remaining on Shaker's basketball slate, the Raiders are aiming to end the season at the .500 mark. The team, currently in seventh place in the Lake Erie League with a mark of 6-9, will wrap up the season by playing Valley Forge, Cleveland Heights, and Lakewood.

THE RAIDERS closed the first half of the schedule with victories over the Normandy Invaders and arch-rival Heights and losses to Valley Forge and Lakewood. In Shaker's hotly contested 80-78 victory over Heights, Hugh Lewis tallied 31 points in a performance which earned him "Dream Team" recognition. Tony Manning supplemented Lewis' contribution by pumping in 20 points himself.

Shaker began the last half of the season with a 56-55 loss to Shaw. Manning bucketed 16 points, leading the Raiders to within one point of upsetting the league-leading Cardinals. The hoopsters then rebounded to down Parma 63-60 as Manning again led the scoring with 21 points. Losses to Euclid, 56-50, Brush, 79-55, and Garfield, 65-60, followed the Parma victory.

THE BIG RED finally did get untracked January 31 against Normandy as they romped to a 59-54 triumph. Four players, Steve Sanna, Greg Golenberg, Manning, and Lewis all scored in double figures in the win over the Invaders.

The Raiders will begin their state championship trek Feb. 19 at Bedford against John Adams.

The Spectator

by Alan Inglis

Following the first basketball game with Heights, December 27, in the north parking lot, about eight sophomores saw fit to assault two Heights spectators. One quickly ran back into the building, but the other had to suffer countless punches and kicks. He was eventually able to escape back into the building. The eight sophomores, now really charged up, went on to punch up two more Heights spectators, who were entering a car. The eight then decided to disperse. This attack was unprovoked.

NO ONE was really seriously hurt in this incident; it did, however, undoubtedly evoke a good deal of deserved disgust and unfortunate hate. Such events do not exactly enhance the reputation of a school. A fracas following the January 16 Euclid game here merited mention in the *Plain Dealer*. If closed afternoon games become the only solution to this irresponsible violence, Shaker will lose valuable revenue that flows into the sorely depleted funds of the athletic program.

Probably worst of all, such occurrences create friction between students and school authorities, between police and students, between school and community, and between the students themselves. Violence of this sort is the last thing we all need.

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